IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-35: (Cancelled).

36. (Currently Amended) An optical information recording medium, comprising:

a substrate ~~layer~~ and

a first reflective layer on the substrate, wherein the first reflective layer comprises a silver base alloy; and wherein the silver base alloy comprises 0.005 to 0.4 ~~10~~ atom % of bismuth.

37. (Cancelled)

38. (Cancelled)

39. (Previously Presented) The optical information recording medium of Claim 36, wherein the first reflective layer is highly reflective.

40. (Currently Amended) The optical information recording medium of Claim 36, further comprising a second reflective layer on the substrate, wherein the second reflective layer comprises a silver base alloy; and wherein the silver base alloy comprises 0.005 to 0.4 ~~10~~ atom % of bismuth,

wherein the first reflective layer is a semi-transmissive film.

41. (Previously Presented) The optical information recording medium of Claim 36, wherein the first reflective layer is semi-transmissive.

42. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 36, wherein the first reflective layer further comprises 0.1 to 3 atom % in total amount of at least one element selected from the group consisting of Cu, Au, Rh, Pd and Pt.

43 (New) An optical information recording medium, comprising:

a substrate and

a first reflective layer on the substrate, wherein the first reflective layer comprises a silver base alloy;

and wherein the silver base alloy comprises 0.005 to 0.4 atom % of bismuth and 0.01 to 2 atom % in total amount of at least one rare earth metal element.

44. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 43, wherein the rare earth metal element is Nd.

45. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 43, wherein the first reflective layer is highly reflective.

46. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 43, wherein the first reflective layer is semi-transmissive.

47. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 43, wherein the first reflective layer comprises 0.1 to 3 atom % in total of at least one element selected from the group consisting of Cu, Au, Rh, Pd and Pt.

48. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 40, wherein the second reflective layer comprises 0.1 to 3 atom % in total amount of at least one element selected from the group consisting of Cu, Au, Rh, Pd and Pt.

49. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 43, further comprising a second reflective layer on the substrate, wherein the second reflective layer comprises a silver base alloy; and wherein the silver base alloy comprises 0.005 to 0.4 atom % of bismuth and 0.01 to 2 atom % in total amount of at least one rare earth metal element,

wherein the first reflective layer is a semi-transmissive film.

50. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 49, wherein the rare earth metal element is Nd.

51. (New) The optical information recording medium of Claim 49, wherein the second reflective layer comprises 0.1 to 3 atom % in total amount of at least one element selected from the group consisting of Cu, Au, Rh, Pd and Pt.